



Rebuild Iowa Office

Government Oversight Committee Meeting

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Overview of Disaster Recovery Funding

SPREADSHEET REVIEW

- FEMA
 - Individual Assistance (IA)
 - Public Assistance (PA)
 - Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- SBA
- CDBG
- USDA
- State Jumpstart (1 and 2)
- Executive Council matching funds
- IFA Low-Income Housing Tax Credits
- National Emergency Grant
- Social Services Block Grant



Overview of Funding Progress on HF64/SF478

- Community Disaster Grants \$22 Million
- Jumpstart Housing \$24 Million
- Unmet Needs Program \$10 Million
 - \$250,000 Individual Development Accounts
 - \$1.15 M Tornado Grants
 - \$1M Long-Term Community Recovery Committees

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Overview of CDBG Programs

- New allocation announced this week - \$517M
- New housing production
- Buy-outs



Business Assistance Update

- Business Rental Assistance Program
- SBA Loan Restructuring



Economic Development Administration Update

- RIO Grant
- Infrastructure Projects



I-Jobs Bonding



- SF376
 - Administered by Iowa Finance Authority
 - Board:
 - Chair Jeff Pomeranz, West Des Moines
 - Vice Chair Pat Baird, Cedar Rapids
 - Directors of IDED, IWD, Rebuild Iowa, IFA, State Treasurer
 - Public members Sandy Boyd (Iowa City), Kate Gronstal (Council Bluffs), Joni Dittmer (Davenport), Toi Sullivan (Sioux City)
 - \$165M disaster funding:
 - \$46.5M direct appropriation
 - \$118.5M competitive grants

Recovery Analysis Activities

- Iowa Recovery Analysis Workshop
- Speak Up Iowa Surveys
- Road Ahead Workshops





Commemoration Events

- **Saturday, May 2:** Little Sioux Scout Ranch
- **Sunday, May 24:** Parkersburg
- **Monday, May 25:** Parkersburg, New Hartford
- **Saturday, May 30:** Palo, Waterloo
- **Saturday, June 6:** Vinton
- **Sunday, June 7:** Mason City
- **Thursday, June 11:** Cedar Rapids
- **Friday, June 12:** Cedar Rapids, Oakville
- **Saturday, June 13:** Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, Oakville, Vinton, Waverly
- **Saturday, June 20:** Atalissa
- **Tuesday, June 23:** Elkader
- **Wednesday, June 24:** Cedar Falls

RIAC and the RIO Coordinating Council

- RIAC Update
- Coordinating Council and 2009 plans





Legislation Addressing RIAC Recommendations

Recommendation #1 - Iowa will provide support to individuals and families seeking assistance in rebuilding.

Recommendation #2 - State and local governments should prioritize availability and affordability of adequate, affordable housing

Recommendation #3 - The state should provide incentives for Iowa's small businesses, microenterprises, and non-profits for restoration and rebuilding of their businesses from this disaster and future major disasters.

Recommendation #4 - The state should lead in planning, establishing expectations statewide, and securing funding for infrastructure repair, rebuilding, and/or construction.

Recommendation #5 - The state should identify, create, and sustain funding options and provide flexibility for local and state governments to assist in rebuilding an even better Iowa.

Recommendation #6 - The state must invest in local emergency management agencies to achieve the baseline capacity needed to keep Iowa safer from future disasters.



Legislation Addressing RIAC Recommendations

Recommendation #7 - The state should ensure policy and programs that sustain community identity, quality of life, and cultural heritage.

Recommendation #8 - The state will lead in developing guidance for and support for integrated, regional planning to address recovery and leverage multi-jurisdictional strengths for ongoing initiatives.

Recommendation #9 - The state will move state policy forward and lead regional and local discussion on floodplain and watershed management.

Recommendation #10 - The state will complete floodplain mapping for the entire state using state-of-the-art technology, implementing the mapping process as expeditiously as is reasonable and practical.

Recommendation #11 - The state must formalize the Rebuild Iowa Office and associated responsibilities related to the 2008 Disaster recovery.

Recommendation #12 - All involved agencies, governments, and interested parties should support communications and outreach initiatives to educate and support lowans as they recover and plan for future disasters.



2010 Legislation

Legislature assigned RIO and others to recommend for 2010:

- Safe room best practices (HF705) by 12/15/09
- Flood plain management (HF756)
 - “The council shall develop recommendations for policies and funding promoting a watershed management approach to reduce the adverse impact of future flooding on this state's residents, businesses, communities, and soil and water quality. Policy and funding recommendations shall be submitted to the governor and the general assembly not later than November 15, 2009.”
- Flood insurance incentives (HF759)
 - “The commissioner of insurance, in collaboration with the rebuild Iowa office and the homeland security and emergency management division of the Iowa department of public defense, shall develop recommendations on policies and incentives to expand the availability and procurement of flood insurance in the state...by November 15, 2009.”



2010 Legislative Proposals

Carry Over Issues:

Bills still alive for 2010 (Appropriations Committee Bills)

- HF704/SF290: \$3.5M disaster aid for local governments
- SSB1229: records retention and DCA appropriation

Bill filed with Government Oversight Committee

- HSB288: DNR disaster authority

Died in Funnel

- SSB1271: contingent appropriation from Iowa economic emergency fund for major disaster (originally filed in Rebuild Committee)

New Issues:

- Smart growth
- Government reorganization
- Other

Q & A

